

to inform the Senate that the House has passed the following resolutions:

S. C. R. No. 11, Granting permission to the District Judges of the several Criminal District Courts of Texas to be absent from the State of Texas at such intervals and for such time as they see fit, while their respective courts are in vacation.

S. C. R. No. 12, Relative to payment of appropriations to Valley Conservation and Reclamation District.

Respectfully submitted,
LOUISE SNOW PHINNEY,
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

At Ease.

On motion of Senator Purl the Senate, at 10:43 o'clock a. m., stood at ease until 11 o'clock a. m.

In Session.

The Senate was called to order, pursuant to standing at ease, at 11:08 o'clock a. m., by Lieutenant Governor Edgar E. Witt.

Recess.

On motion of Senator Purl the Senate at 11:10 o'clock a. m., recessed until 3 o'clock p. m., today.

Afternoon Session.

The Senate was called to order pursuant to recess, at 3 o'clock p. m., by President Pro Tem Frank H. Rawlings.

Resolutions Signed.

The Chair, President Pro Tem Frank H. Rawlings, gave notice of signing and did sign, in the presence of the Senate, after their captions had been read, the following resolutions:

S. C. R. No. 11.

S. C. R. No. 12.

Message From the House.

Hall of the House of Representatives,
Austin, Texas, Feb. 9, 1934.

Hon. Edgar E. Witt, President of the Senate.

Sir: I am directed by the House to inform the Senate that the House has adopted the Conference Committee Report on House Bill No. 6 by a vote of 122 ayes and 3 nays.

Respectfully submitted,
LOUISE SNOW PHINNEY,
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

Bill Signed.

The Chair, President Pro Tem Frank H. Rawlings, gave notice of signing and did sign, in the presence of the Senate, after its caption had been read, the following bill:

H. B. No. 6.

At Ease.

On motion of Senator Martin, the Senate at 3:15 o'clock p. m., stood at ease, subject to the call of the Chair.

In Session.

The Senate was called to order by President Pro Tem Frank H. Rawlings, at 3:42 o'clock p. m.

Adjournment.

On motion of Senator Pace, the Senate at 3:45 o'clock p. m., adjourned until 10 o'clock a. m., Monday.

APPENDIX.

Committee on Enrolled Bills.

February 9, 1934.

Hon. Edgar E. Witt, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Enrolled Bills, have had S. C. R. No. 11 carefully examined and compared and find same correctly enrolled.

GREER, Chairman.

February 9, 1934.

Hon. Edgar E. Witt, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Enrolled Bills, have had S. C. R. No. 12 carefully examined and compared and find same correctly enrolled.

GREER, Chairman.

ELEVENTH DAY.

Senate Chamber,
Austin, Texas,
February 12, 1934.

The Senate met at 10 o'clock a. m., pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by Lieutenant Governor Edgar E. Witt.

The roll was called, a quorum being present, the following Senators answering to their names:

Beck.
Blackert.

Collie.
Duggan.

Greer.	Purl.
Holbrook.	Rawlings.
Hopkins.	Redditt.
Hornsby.	Regan.
Martin.	Russek.
Murphy.	Sanderford.
Neal.	Small.
Oneal.	Stone.
Parr.	Woodruff.
Patton.	Woodul.
Poage.	Woodward.

Absent—Excused.

Cousins.	Moore.
DeBerry.	Pace.
Fellbaum.	

Prayer by the Chaplain.

Pending the reading of the Journal of yesterday, the same was dispensed with on motion of Senator Woodward.

Petitions and Memorials.

(See Appendix.)

Committee Reports.

(See Appendix.)

Senators Excused.

On motion of Senator Woodward, Senator DeBerry was excused for the day on account of illness.

On motion of Senator Redditt, Senator Pace was excused for the day on account of important business.

On motion of Senator Redditt, Senator Cousins was excused for the day on account of illness.

Messages From the Governor.

Executive Department,

Austin, Texas, Feb. 12, 1934.

To the Texas State Senate:

I ask the advice, consent and confirmation by the Senate in the appointment of Louis Wiener of San Francisco, California, to be Commissioner of Deeds for the State of Texas in the State of California.

Respectfully submitted,

MIRIAM A. FERGUSON,
Governor.

Executive Department,

Austin, Texas, Feb. 10, 1934.

To the Forty-third Legislature in Second Called Session:

I herewith submit for your consideration a bill to be entitled "An Act to authorize and empower any water control and improvement district in this State . . ." hereto attached and

made a part hereof. This is emergency legislation that by the Federal Government is required to be passed before approving the expenditure of some \$4,853,000.00 in the construction of an irrigation project in Wilacy and Hidalgo Counties."

Respectfully submitted,

MIRIAM A. FERGUSON,
Governor.

H. C. R. No. 5.

The Chair laid before the Senate H. C. R. No. 5, Granting W. F. Servell permission to sue the State.

The rule requiring committee reports to lie over one day was suspended by unanimous consent.

The committee report recommending that the resolution be not printed was adopted by unanimous consent.

Senator Hornsby moved that the resolution be re-referred to the committee.

Senator Greer moved to table the motion to re-refer the resolution.

The motion to table prevailed by the following vote:

Yeas—10.

Collie.	Rawlings.
Greer.	Regan.
Murphy.	Sanderford.
Patton.	Small.
Purl.	Woodul.

Nays—6.

Beck.	Hornsby.
Blackert.	Stone.
Holbrook.	Woodward.

Present—Not Voting.

Neal.	Redditt.
Parr.	Russek.
Poage.	

Absent.

Duggan.	Oneal.
Hopkins.	Woodruff.
Martin.	

Absent—Excused.

Cousins.	Moore.
DeBerry.	Pace.
Fellbaum.	

Senator Holbrook sent up the following amendment:

Amend H. C. R. No. 5, by substituting for the word "Navarro" the word "Travis" wherein it appears in this resolution.

HOLBROOK.

Senator Greer moved to table the amendment.

The motion to table prevailed by the following vote:

Yeas—10.

Collie.	Rawlings.
Greer.	Regan.
Murphy.	Russek.
Patton.	Small.
Purl.	Woodul.

Nays—9.

Beck.	Poage.
Blackert.	Sanderford.
Holbrook.	Stone.
Hornsby.	Woodward.
Oneal.	

Present—Not Voting.

Duggan.	Neal.
Hopkins.	Parr.
Martin.	Redditt.

Absent—Excused.

Cousins.	Moore.
DeBerry.	Pace.
Fellbaum.	Woodruff.

The resolution was adopted.

H. C. R. No. 6.

The Chair laid before the Senate H. C. R. No. 6, Granting permission to E. A. Elliott to sue the State.

The rule requiring committee reports to lie over one day was suspended by unanimous consent.

The committee report recommending that the resolution be not printed was adopted by unanimous consent.

Senator Holbrook sent up the following amendment:

Amend H. C. R. No. 6, by substituting for the word "Navarro" the word "Travis" wherein it appears in this resolution.

HOLBROOK.

Senator Greer moved to table the amendment.

The motion to table prevailed by the following vote:

Yeas—10.

Collie.	Rawlings.
Greer.	Regan.
Murphy.	Russek.
Patton.	Small.
Purl.	Woodul.

Nays—9.

Beck.	Poage.
Blackert.	Sanderford.
Holbrook.	Stone.
Hornsby.	Woodward.
Oneal.	

Present—Not Voting.

Duggan.	Neal.
Hopkins.	Parr.
Martin.	Redditt.

Absent—Excused.

Cousins.	Moore.
DeBerry.	Pace.
Fellbaum.	Woodruff.

The question recurred on the adoption of the resolution.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote:

Yeas—14.

Collie.	Rawlings.
Greer.	Regan.
Hornsby.	Russek.
Murphy.	Sanderford.
Oneal.	Small.
Patton.	Woodul.
Purl.	Woodward.

Nays—5.

Beck.	Poage.
Blackert.	Stone.
Holbrook.	

Present—Not Voting.

Duggan.	Neal.
Hopkins.	Parr.
Martin.	Redditt.

Absent—Excused.

Cousins.	Moore.
DeBerry.	Pace.
Fellbaum.	Woodruff.

Senator Hornsby moved to reconsider the vote by which the resolution was adopted, and spread on the Journal.

Senator Greer moved to table the motion to reconsider.

Senator Hornsby raised the point of order that the two resolutions, H. C. R. Nos. 5 and 6, had neither been submitted and that they did not come within the Governor's Call, since each involved the question of appropriations.

The question was submitted to the

Senate for a decision on the point of order.

The point of order was overruled by the following vote:

Yeas—5.

Holbrook.	Sanderford.
Hornsby.	Stone.
Poage.	

Nays—12.

Blackert.	Rawlings.
Collie.	Regan.
Greer.	Russek.
Murphy.	Small.
Neal.	Woodul.
Patton.	Woodward.

Present—Not Voting.

Beck.	Oneal.
Duggan.	Parr.
Hopkins.	Purl.
Martin.	Redditt.

Absent—Excused.

Cousins.	Moore.
DeBerry.	Pace.
Fellbaum.	Woodruff.

The question recurred on the motion of Senator Greer to table the motion to reconsider.

The motion to table prevailed.

H. C. R. No. 17.

The Chair laid before the Senate H. C. R. No. 17, Relating to appropriation for army in certain ranks.

The rule requiring committee reports to lie over one day was suspended by unanimous consent.

The committee report recommending that the resolution be not printed was adopted by unanimous consent.

The resolution was adopted.

S. C. R. No. 3.

The Chair laid before the Senate S. C. R. No. 3, Permitting Max Hirsch to sue the State.

The rule requiring committee reports to lie over one day was suspended by unanimous consent.

The committee report recommending that the resolution be not printed was adopted by unanimous consent.

The resolution was adopted.

Message From the House.

Hall of the House of Representatives,
Austin, Texas, Feb. 12, 1934.
Hon. Edgar E. Witt, President of the Senate.

Sir: I am directed by the House to inform the Senate that the House has passed the following resolution:

H. C. R. No. 20, Declaring the intent of the Forty-third Legislature, Regular Session, with reference to the provisions of S. B. No. 242.

Respectfully submitted,

LOUISE SNOW PHINNEY,
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

Resolutions Signed.

The Chair, Lieutenant Governor Edgar E. Witt, gave notice of signing, and did sign in the presence of the Senate, after their captions had been read, the following resolutions:

H. C. R. No. 1.	H. C. R. No. 14.
H. C. R. No. 4.	H. C. R. No. 16.
H. C. R. No. 9.	H. C. R. No. 19.
H. C. R. No. 11.	

Recess.

On motion of Senator Purl, the Senate, at 11:30 o'clock a. m., recessed until 2:45 o'clock p. m., today.

Afternoon Session.

The Senate was called to order at 2:45 o'clock p. m., pursuant to recess, by Lieutenant Governor Edgar E. Witt.

Message From the House.

Hall of the House of Representatives,
Austin, Texas, Feb. 12, 1934.
Hon. Edgar E. Witt, President of the Senate.

Sir: I am directed by the House to inform the Senate that the House has passed the following resolution:

H. C. R. No. 12, Declaring it to be the intention of the Legislature that Chapter 165, Acts of the Forty-second Legislature, Regular Session, shall control the deposit of securities deposited under Article 696.

Respectfully submitted,

LOUISE SNOW PHINNEY,
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

Resolutions Referred.

H. C. R. No. 12, referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

H. C. R. No. 20, referred to the Committee on Education.

Senate Bill No. 7.

Senator Parr sent up the following bill:

S. B. No. 7, A bill to be entitled "An Act to authorize and empower any water control and improvement district in this State, embracing lands in two or more counties, and containing not less than 125,000 acres, to borrow money and to receive grants or other aid from the Government of the United States or any lending agency thereof; providing for the levy of taxes on all taxable property within the limits of any such district sufficient to pay the principal of and interest on bonds of such district issued or sold to said government or any lending agency thereof, or all bonds of any such district pledged as collateral to secure payment of any loan made by said government or agency thereof to any such district providing that all or part of the maintenance fund of any such district may be irrevocably pledged as additional security for the payment of the principal of and interest on all such bonds issued or sold to such government or agency thereof, or pledged as collateral to secure payment of any loan between said district and the government, or any such agency, in addition to the authorized bond tax; providing that the bond fund may repay or refund to the maintenance fund all moneys paid by the maintenance fund into such bond fund to prevent or cure defaults in payment of principal and/or interest on such bonds; providing for the subordination of existing bonded indebtedness in conformity with requirements of contracts between any such district and government or agency thereof, and providing methods of procedure in reference thereto, including the issuance of refunding bonds providing for payment of any existing bonded indebtedness from uncollected taxes theretofore levied in event the holders of such indebtedness refuse to enter into subordination agreements; providing that except as herein otherwise provided, the general laws relative to water control and improvement district bonds shall apply to issuance, approval, registration, sale and payment of all bonds that may be issued pursuant to this Act, and also providing for depository agreements in respect of the deposit and safekeeping of the proceeds of any such loan or the proceeds of taxes, assessments and other revenues of any such district; providing that if any part of this Act is held unconsti-

tutional or invalid, such invalidity shall not effect the validity of the remaining portions of this Act; enacting provisions incident to the subject and purpose of this Act; and declaring an emergency."

Referred to the Committee on Mining and Irrigation.

On motion of Senator Parr, the Senate, by a two-thirds vote, granted permission to take up and consider the bill at this time, by the following vote:

Yeas—24.

Beck.	Patton.
Blackert.	Poage.
Duggan.	Purl.
Greer.	Rawlings.
Holbrook.	Redditt.
Hopkins.	Regan.
Hornsby.	Russek.
Martin.	Sanderford.
Murphy.	Small.
Neal.	Stone.
Oneal.	Woodul.
Parr.	Woodward.

Present—Not Voting.

Collie.

Absent—Excused.

Cousins.	Moore.
DeBerry.	Pace.
Fellbaum.	Woodruff.

The rule requiring committee reports to lie over one day was suspended by unanimous consent.

The committee report recommending that the bill be not printed was adopted by unanimous consent.

The bill was read second time and passed to engrossment.

On motion of Senator Parr, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended and S. B. No. 7 was put on its third reading and final passage by the following vote:

Yeas—25.

Beck.	Murphy.
Blackert.	Neal.
Collie.	Oneal.
Duggan.	Parr.
Greer.	Patton.
Holbrook.	Poage.
Hopkins.	Purl.
Hornsby.	Rawlings.
Martin.	Redditt.

Regan.	Stone.
Russek.	Woodul.
Sanderford.	Woodward.
Small.	

Absent—Excused.

Cousins.	Moore.
DeBerry.	Pace.
Fellbaum.	Woodruff.

Read third time and finally passed
by the following vote:

Yeas—21.

Beck.	Parr.
Blackert.	Patton.
Duggan.	Purl.
Greer.	Rawlings.
Holbrook.	Redditt.
Hopkins.	Regan.
Hornsby.	Russek.
Martin.	Sanderford.
Murphy.	Small.
Neal.	Woodul.
Oneal.	Woodward.

Nays—4.

Collie.	Poage.
DeBerry.	Stone.

Absent—Excused.

Cousins.	Pace.
Fellbaum.	Woodruff.
Moore.	

Adjournment.

On motion of Senator Small, the
Senate, at 2:55 o'clock p. m., ad-
journed until 10 o'clock a. m., to-
morrow.

APPENDIX.

Petitions and Memorials.

The White House.
Washington.

February 8, 1934.

My Dear Mr. Secretary:

The President has received your
letter of February 2 and has asked
me to thank you for your kindness
in sending to him S. C. R. No. 4,
adopted by the Texas Legislature on
January 30.

He is very appreciative indeed of
the interest of the members of the
Legislature in the Warm Springs

Foundation and of their kind birth-
day greetings and congratulations.

Very sincerely yours,

M. A. LeHAND,
Private Secretary.

Honorable Bob Barker,
Secretary,
The Senate of Texas,
Austin.

Committee Reports.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, Feb. 9, 1934.

Hon. Edgar E. Witt, President of the
Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on State
Affairs, to whom was referred

S. C. R. No. 6, Providing for the
appointment of a Legislative Centen-
nial Committee to be composed of
four Senators appointed by the Presi-
dent of the Senate and five Repre-
sentatives appointed by the Speaker
of the House of Representatives to
study and prepare report and a plan
or plans to be submitted to the next
session of the Legislature for the
holding of a Centennial Celebration
in Texas during 1936.

Have had the same under con-
sideration, and I am instructed to
report it back to the Senate with the
recommendation that it do pass, and
be printed.

HOPKINS, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, Feb. 9, 1934.

Hon. Edgar E. Witt, President of the
Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on State
Affairs, to whom was referred

H. C. R. No. 5, Granting to W. F.
Sewell and wife, Irma Sewell, and
J. C. Lewis, permission to bring and
continue suit against the State High-
way Commission and the State of
Texas, in the District Court of Na-
varro County, Texas.

Have had the same under con-
sideration, and I am instructed to
report it back to the Senate with the
recommendation that it do pass, and
be not printed.

HOPKINS, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, Feb. 9, 1934.

Hon. Edgar E. Witt, President of the
Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on State
Affairs, to whom was referred

H. C. R. No. 6, Granting to E. A.
Elliott and wife permission to bring
and continue suit against the State
Highway Commission and the State

of Texas, in the District Court of Navarro County, Texas.

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass, and be not printed.

HOPKINS, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, Feb. 9, 1934.
Hon. Edgar E. Witt, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on State Affairs, to whom was referred

S. B. No. 2, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 7336, as amended by Chapter 117, Acts Forty-second Legislature, providing the time when taxes shall become due and when they shall become delinquent, etc.; and declaring an emergency."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do not pass, but that the committee substitute, hereto attached, do pass in lieu thereof.

HOPKINS, Chairman.

By Hornsby. S. B. No. 2.

A BILL

To Be Entitled

An Act to amend Article 7336, Revised Civil Statutes of 1925, as amended by Chapter 117, Acts Forty-second Legislature, providing the time when ad valorem taxes shall become due and when they shall become delinquent providing penalty for non-payment of said taxes and for interest thereon; providing that current ad valorem taxes hereafter paid in full in October or November next succeeding the return of the assessment rolls of the county to the Comptroller of Public Accounts shall be discounted two per cent and that current ad valorem taxes hereafter paid in December of the year next succeeding the return of the assessment rolls of the county to the Comptroller of Public Accounts shall be discounted one per cent; providing for payment of one-half of current ad valorem taxes on or before November 30 and one-half of same on or before June 30, both said dates of the year next succeeding the return of the assessment rolls of the county to the

Comptroller of Public Accounts, and providing penalty for failure or refusal to pay last one-half; providing for graduated penalty on all current taxes not paid on February 1, 1934, and on current taxes not paid on February 1 of each year thereafter; providing methods of assessing, collecting and distributing penalties and interest; providing form and time delinquent rolls shall be made by tax collector; providing that the Comptroller of Public Accounts shall prescribe forms for tax rolls to be used by the county tax assessors and collectors of taxes; providing that all laws in conflict with this Act are repealed; and declaring an emergency.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

Section 1. That Article 7336 of the Revised Civil Statutes of 1925, as amended by Chapter 117, Acts Forty-second Legislature, be and the same is hereby amended so as to hereafter read as follows:

Article 7336. That if any person shall pay on or before November 30 next succeeding the return of the assessment rolls of the county to the Comptroller of Public Accounts all of the ad valorem taxes imposed by law on him or his property then the amount of said ad valorem taxes shall be discounted two (2%) per cent; that if any person shall pay after November 30 and on or before December 31 next succeeding the return of the assessment rolls of the county to the Comptroller of Public Accounts all of the ad valorem taxes imposed by law on him or his property then the amount of said ad valorem taxes shall be discounted one (1%) per cent. That if any person shall pay on or before November 30 next succeeding the return of the assessment rolls of the county to the Comptroller of Public Accounts one-half of the ad valorem taxes imposed by law on him or his property then he shall have until and including the 30th day of the succeeding June within which to pay the other one-half of his said ad valorem taxes without penalty or interest thereon during said time. Persons paying ad valorem taxes in one-half payments as above set out shall not be entitled to discount.

If said taxpayer after paying one-half of his ad valorem taxes on or

before November 30, as hereinbefore provided, shall fail or refuse to pay on or before June 30 next succeeding said November, the other one-half of his said ad valorem taxes, the penalties on the amount of said unpaid taxes shall accrue thereon as hereinafter set out.

That upon all ad valorem taxes due for 1933 and not paid before February 1, 1934, and due for each year thereafter and not paid before February 1 next succeeding the return of the assessment rolls of the county to the Comptroller of Public Accounts, and upon which the taxpayer has not paid one-half of his ad valorem taxes on or before November 30 next succeeding the return of the assessment rolls of the county to the Comptroller of Public Accounts, there shall be charged

- 1 % penalty if paid in February;
- 2 % penalty if paid in March;
- 3 % penalty if paid in April;
- 4 % penalty if paid in May;
- 5 % penalty if paid in June;
- 6 % penalty if paid in July;
- 7 % penalty if paid in August;
- 8 % penalty if paid in September;

each of said months above stated being the months next succeeding the return of the assessment rolls of the county to the Comptroller of Public Accounts. No interest shall be charged upon current ad valorem taxes if paid within the above named months, but interest at six (6 %) per centum per annum from February 1 of each year said taxes are due until paid, together with 10 % penalty on the amount of said taxes, shall be charged on all taxes not paid by October 1 of the year next succeeding the return of the assessment rolls of the county to the Comptroller of Public Accounts. If any taxpayer, after paying one-half of his ad valorem taxes on or before November 30, as hereinbefore provided, shall fail or refuse to pay, on or before June 30 next succeeding said November, the other one-half of his said ad valorem taxes, there shall be charged like penalties and interest, from and after said June 30, as provided for ad valorem taxes paid after February 1 as hereinbefore set out.

All ad valorem taxes shall become delinquent if not paid by October 1 of the year next succeeding the return of the assessment rolls of the county to the Comptroller of Public

Accounts, that is, ad valorem taxes assessed as of January 1, 1933, will be payable from October 1, 1933, to September 30, 1934, as current taxes, subject to and under the provisions hereinbefore stated, and become delinquent taxes if unpaid by October 1, 1934, and ad valorem taxes assessed as of January 1 of each year thereafter will become delinquent taxes if unpaid by October 1 of the year next succeeding the return of the assessment rolls of the county to the Comptroller of Public Accounts.

Provided that if any person fails to pay all the poll taxes imposed by law upon him until after the 31st day of January next succeeding the return of the assessment rolls of the county to the Comptroller of Public Accounts, a penalty of ten per centum of such poll taxes shall accrue thereon.

Sec. 2. All penalties provided in this Act, shall when collected, be paid to the State and the county, and to the districts, if any, in proportion to the taxes upon which the penalties are collected.

The collector of taxes shall, as of the first day of October of each year for which any State, county and district taxes for the preceding year remain unpaid, make up a list of the lands and lots and/or property on which any taxes for such preceding years are delinquent, charging against the same all unpaid taxes and penalties assessed against the owner thereof.

Said list shall be made in triplicate and shall be presented to the commissioners' court for examination and correction of any errors that may appear, and when so examined and corrected by the commissioners' court such lists in triplicate shall be approved by said court, and one copy thereof shall be filed with the county clerk, and one copy retained and preserved by the collector and one copy forwarded to the Comptroller with his annual settlement reports. Such lists as furnished by the tax collector and corrected by the commissioners' court, and the rolls or books on file in the collector's office, or either said list or assessment rolls or books, shall be prima facie evidence that all the requirements of the law have been complied with by the officers of courts charged with any duty thereunder as to regularity of listing, assessing, levying all taxes therein mentioned and reporting as

delinquent any real estate whatsoever, and that the amount alleged against said property is a true and correct charge; and, in cases in which the description of the property in said list or assessment rolls or books is not sufficient to identify the same, and of which property there is a sufficient description in the inventories of the assessor's office, then said inventories shall be admissible as evidence of the description of said property.

Sec. 3. It shall be the duty of the Comptroller of Public Accounts to prescribe such forms for tax rolls to be used by the county tax assessors as may make it convenient for the collectors of taxes to note thereon the payment of taxes as provided for in this Act; and to prescribe such forms for receipts, and reports and such other forms for the use of the collectors of taxes as in his opinion may be advisable. This provision is cumulative of all other provisions of the statutes of the State prescribing the duties of the Comptroller of Public Accounts.

Sec. 4. All laws in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

Sec. 5. The fact that under existing laws it is impossible for many taxpayers to pay delinquent taxes but same could be paid if the penalties thereon were graduated and the interest charges deferred until October 1, 1934, and the further fact that a great increase will be made in the payment of taxes in October, November and December of this year and following years under this Act which will be of advantage to the financial condition of the State, counties and districts, creates an emergency and a public necessity requiring that the constitutional rule providing that bills shall be read on three several days in each House shall be suspended, and said rule is hereby suspended and this Act shall take effect from and after its passage, and it is so enacted.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, Feb. 12, 1934.
Hon. Edgar E. Witt, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Military Affairs, to whom was referred

H. C. R. No. 17, For the purpose of construing the phrase "company, troop and battery" as shown in H. B. No. 167 of the Regular Session of the Forty-third Legislature, to mean and

include "company, troop, battery, band and other detachment including each separate federally recognized unit of the Texas National Guard."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass, and be not printed.

POAGE, Vice-Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, Feb. 12, 1934.
Hon. Edgar E. Witt, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on State Highways and Motor Traffic, to whom was referred

S. C. R. No. 3, Authorizing Max Hirsh, his heirs and personal representatives to sue the Highway Commission of the State of Texas, and the State of Texas, under the trade name of Caledonia Steel Company, for an account for steel claimed to have been sold to the State of Texas.

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass, and be not printed.

RAWLINGS, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, Feb. 12, 1934.
Hon. Edgar E. Witt, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Mining, Irrigation and Drainage, to whom was referred

S. B. No. 7, A bill to be entitled "An Act to authorize and empower any water control and improvement district in this State, embracing lands in two or more counties, and containing not less than 125,000 acres, to borrow money and to receive grants or other aid from the Government of the United States or any lending agency thereof, etc., and declaring an emergency."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass, and be not printed.

REGAN, Vice-Chairman.

TWELFTH DAY.

Senate Chamber,
Austin, Texas,
February 13, 1934.
The Senate met at 10 o'clock a. m.,